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CARDINAL LEGER CHATS WITH STUDENTS

CARDINAL LEGER VISITS SCHOOL Third World requires Aid

On Wednesday, March 6th, Selwyn House was honoured by a visit from Cardinal Leger. The Cardinal adressed an assembly of students and staff of Selwyn House and the Convent of the Sacred Heart, as well as parents and friends of both schools. The occasion of his visit was to make students aware of the needs of the "Third World", Africa and Asia.

Cardinal Leger began by recalling his own early schooling in the village of St. Anicet, in the Seminary in Valleyfield, and later in the Grand Seminary on Sherbooke Street, here in Montreal. He traced his early priesthood to Paris where he both studied and taught, to Japan where he helped found a seminary and taught philosophy, and to his return to Valleyfield in 1939. He went

on to mention his three-year tour of duty in Rome, following which he was made Archbishop of Montreal and later elected to the College of Cardinals.

at was Cardinal Leger's early tour of duty in the east which aroused his interest in the people of the "Third World" and made him aware of the tremendous disparity

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SENIORS HELP SHUT-INS

Recently a group of ten high school students have begun a pilot project working with senior citizens. The project involves adopting a shut-in and visiting this person on a regular basis. The boys involved began the programme by spending several hours at the Senior Citizens' Forum where they were given an insight into the problems and capabilities of the older generation. At present, two seniors are being visited on a regular weekly basis. It is expected that these visits, as well as providing an

Easter Visit to Moscow

During the Easter holidays, a group of students from the School under the guidance of Mr. L. Seville visited Moscow and Leningrad.

The party flew non-stop from Montreal to Moscow. There they were met by an Intourist guide who remained with them throughout their eight day visit. Highlights of

to be helpful in performing small chores, such as exchanging library books, for the shut-ins.

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the trip included visits to the Hermitage Museum, the Kremlin, Palace of Congresses, the Lenin Mausoleum, Red Square, the Moscow Circus and the Bolshoi Theatre to attend a performance of "Madam Butterfly". The boys discovered that anticipated restrictions were non-existent and that they were permitted to photograph everywhere. During the last three days in Moscow, several local English-speaking high school students joined the Selwyn House group. This encounter proved very enlightening for both groups as it provided an excellent opportunity for the exchange of ideas.

YEAR IN REVIEW

Headmaster comments on changes

The Headmaster, Mr. A.S. Troubetzkoy, commented recently on the events of the school year, stating that it had been a harmonious, productive period of time highlighted by the academic excellence and good will of the 11th grade students. His remarks touched on all facets of school life and reflected a quiet optimism for the year ahead.

Significant strides have been made this year in strengthening the school's academic programme. At the senior level, four new options have been introduced into the curriculum: Advanced Geography and Ancient

History (both courses for matriculation credit) together with Advanced French and Canadian Literature.

"The newly-created Grade 7 and 8 Arts programme is compulsory for every boy. The twice weekly classes offer students the option of following a course in Drama, Fine Arts, Melodica, Music Appreciation or Singing.

"French Language training continues to be a prime concern. At the high school level most sections number a maximum of 15 students and the stress is on oral work. The groups are arranged according to ability and all

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STUDENTS VISIT OTTAWA Spent Night in Gaol

An excursion to Ottawa for Grade 7 took place on April 17 and 18th. Some 45 boys, under the supervision of Mr. Cude, Mr. Seville and Mr. Stewart, made the trip. The purpose was to better acquaint the students with our nation's capital and to provide them with the experience of an overnight stay as a school group.

Upon their arrival, the group had lunch on the Sparks Street Mall and then went immediately to the House of Commons, where they were present for the question period. Later, the boys were received by Selwyn House Old Boy, The Hon. C.M. Drury, in his office where the Secretary of the

Treasury Board provided the boys with a background to what they had witnessed in the House as well as answering their many questions.

The Group was quartered in the Youth Hostel in down-town Ottawa and this proved to be an interesting experience. The hostel, until very recently, had been the Nicholas Street Gaol and the dormitories were located in what had been the main cell block.

Thursday evening, the boys visited the Ontario Museum of Science and Technology and on Friday they concluded their trip with a visit to the Mint and the War Museum.



THE HON. C.M. DRURY ANSWERS STUDENT QUERIES



SCHOOL CHOIR PERFORMS AT ACTIVITIES NIGHT



LARRY SMITH AND TROPHY WINNER JULIAN HELLER

Large Attendance at Activities Night

Activities Night '74 took place at the school on April 3rd The parpose of the evening was to dem natrate to parents and friends some of the non-academic and nonathletic activities in which students are involved.

Close to 20 displays throw hout the school were open for observation, and members of the various clubs were present to explain their exhibits and answer Represented a estions pr thy were the middle and serve school Science and But a duplay of work by art students and t woodw k the school newspart I I ta ner," an ad werkshop. production (Tob exhibit, ting the free b and I and many others done the attenthe there of perents throughout the proteing.

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Runyon Jones" under the direction of Mrs. P. Marsh. The programme concluded with a presentation by Mr. L. Seville's Melodica Group drawn from grades 7 and 8. The group was very ably accompanied by piano (Andrew Lewis), Guitar (David Kredl), drums (James Mcl.aughlin) and violin (Arthur Hsu).

Parents were most appreciative of having an opportunity to view this nonacademic aspect of school life and to appreciate fully the scope of the activity programme at Selwyn House.

Canadian Authors visit Lit. Course

Throughout the year, the Grade 11 Canadian Literature class has entertained numerous people involved in writing in Canada. The first visitor was the Montreal poet Ritchie Carson who addressed the class on writing and spoke about the plight of the young poet.

Later on in the year, Miss Patricia Ewing came and gave a reading to the class. Miss Ewing who is a fine craftsman read some of her poems, many of which proved mystifying to the boys because of their distinctly feminine imagery. The reading and discussion were valuable for they offered a totally different approach to the art of poetry.

Mrs. Bluebell Phillips, president of the Montreal Branch of the Canadian Authors' Association, was the next visitor to this class. Her visit stressed the function and achievement of the Authors' Association and, as well, she spoke about many authors not previously discussed in class, thus adding greatly to the scope of the literature

The most recent visitor was Patrick Anderson, a major figure in Canadian letters who, from the years 1940 to 1946 taught at Selwyn House School. In a sense, this was a very special occasion for it was one of the few times he has returned to the school, and he provided a moving and inspired reading for the Canadian literature class.

Patrick Anderson, founder of Preview and poet, reminisced about the days he spent in Montreal and at Selwyn House. He spoke of several authors from his



POET SEYMOUR MAYNE GIVES READING TO **GRADES 10 AND 11**

personal experiences, and his observations added life to the study of poets hitherto encountered only in anthologies. It is noteworthy that Patrick Anderson's visit above all others seemed the most interesting and exciting to the students; perhaps, because he was at one time a vital part of the community and his influence can still be felt and appreciated.

Two other Canadian poets visited the school as well, but their audience was enlarged to include all students in grades 10 and 11. The first was Dr. Robin Mathews who, on March 15th delivered an original paper entitled: "Canadian Literature: the National Question," to these students. His thesis focused on the influence that economics exerted upon the evolution of Canadian Literature, quoting the works of such writers as Haliburton, Leacock, and Richler to substantiate his argument. Following his paper, Dr. Mathews answered ques-tions and provoked controversy with his novel and decidedly pro-Canadian point of view.

On April 8th Dr. Seymour Mayne (poet, broadcaster and critic) came to read and to discuss his poetry with these same grades. As he read various poems, he commented briefly upon their origins and the nature of the creative process, acknow-ledging Layton, Klein, and Cohen as important figures in his own development. As well, he spoke of Montreal as an influence on his poetry and read a number of poems from his most recent chapbook, For Stems of Light.

ATHLETIC BANQUET NEW FEATURE Alouettes' Smith presents Awards

On May 28 the school experimented with a new idea an "Athletic Hanquet" The more distinguished ath it is in the school, accompand by their fathers, d if the evening for t p n of the major wird for the year I m w s preddd g f nt d nner in with Garge excell d the state of the quality of plur fore sold of plut obgainst with which it was served Three Life large, feeters and wall were present to easy it to the full.

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back, presented the trophies to the outstanding members of the various school teams. and made a brief speech in which he emphasized the advantages to be found in building a team from the limited numbers available in a smaller school He also showed a movie selected from the Alouettes' training library The whole evening proved

most enjoyable, and the success of the idea was so great that the Athletic Banquet should, in the future, become one of the outstand ing events in the school calendar

Lucas and Wanstall Sweep House Competition

weeks of the winter term were set uside for inter-House competition in 6 athletic activities. The scoring in each activity was based on the combined results of the middle and senior schools.

The hockey competition was divided into four sections, Senior A, Senior B, Grade 7 and Grades 5 and 6. Each section completed a round-robin tournament and the overall winner was Wanstall House.

The Basketball tournament had three divisions, Grade 7, Semor B, and Senior A. The last two groups were determined by skill level rather than grades. As a result, this contest was very evenly matched, but again winner in this sport,

This year, the last three | Wanstall House was the

Gymnastics were divided into two sections, Grades 5 and 6, and the Senior School. Competition took place on an individual basis over 5 events, each boy competing for his House, Lucas House was declared the winner here.

Badminton and squash were played on seeded tournament basis and Wanstall House emerged the winner.

Wrestling provided a new opportunity for inter-House competition this season. Matches were arranged on a weight basis, each House being entitled to an equal number of competitors in each weight category, and Lucas House was the eventual

Old Boys Fete Mr. E.C. Moodey

On Tuesday evening, May 21st, 1974, about 70 Old Boys and staff gathered at the Montreal Badminton and Squash Club to offer Mr. and Mrs. Moodey their best wishes on the occasion of Mr. Moodey's retirement after 25 years at Selwyn House.

After the group had enjoyed an excellent buffet dinner, Lee Watchorn, President of the Old Boys Association, chaired the after-dinner proceedings. He commenced with the election of a new slate of officers, which will be as follows:

President—Peter Nobbs Secretary—Tim Stewart Treasurer—Allan Case

Mr. Alexis Troubetzkoy then gave an account of the school and detailed its current academic and athletic activities. Dr. R.A. Speirs was called upon to reminisce about the Moodeys' contribution to the school. Lee Watchorn then presented Mr. Moodey with a purse collected from the Old Boys and allowed him a few words in rebuttal to Dr. Speirs' remarks. Mr. Moodey recalled his early teaching career in England and on Redpath Street in the old school, and his comments on the everchanging educational scene were both pungent and humourous.

As a means of thanking the many old boys who made this such a memorable evening, we are including Mr. Moodey's personal expres-

sion of gratitude.

"Nothing in my life has amazed me more, or given me greater cause for pleasure and pride, than the astonishing flood of appreciation of our past association which has come from Old Boys on the occasion of my retirement. To attempt to thank you all individually would be quite impossible, and I am taking advantage of this Newsletter to provide a somewhat inadequate alternative. To you all, my most heartfelt thanks for the generous way in which you have marked the occasion, and for this happiest of memories to crown a quarter of a century of happy memories of you all. I wish you all every success and happiness in the future, and hope that I may continue to hear of your triumphs and achievements."

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Headmaster Emeritus pays tribute to "Moo"

to pay sincere tribute to Mr. Moodey on his impending retirement after twenty-five years of outstanding service to Selwyn House.

We salute him as a distinguished scholar of almost legendary erudition, whose magnificent record as a classroom teacher combines a touch of magic with the unfailing perfectionism that we associate with his name.

We salute him too as administrator, organiser and director, whose infinite capacity for detail in the skilful management of the complex daily routines of our school life has made our thousand and one projects and programmes, activities

We would like in this issue | and functions such an assured success over the years, to the profit and pleasure of all.

> But we salute him above all as guide, philosopher and friend, who has injected into all his close contacts with his students a heart-warming idealism and kindly humanity tinged with gentle humour that have won him not only the high esteem but also the deep affection of all who have been privileged to come under his influence.

To him go our profound thanks and our warmest good wishes for wonderful health and happiness both for himself and Mrs. Moodey, in the many years that lie ahead. Good luck, Sir, and God

Old Boys tie senior team

The annual Old Boys' Hockey game against the Senior team took place on Wednesday, March 22nd. The grads managed to recruit a squad of fifteen solid hockey players, and they were determined to offer some competition to the Seniors. The game, however, almost did not get under way for until ten minutes before the face-off the Old Boys lacked a goaler. The late arrival of Fraser Miller, complete with pads and mask, happily prevented cancellation of the

The early part of the game was dominated by the Old Boys who forechecked consistently and kept the play in the Senior team's end. Their hard work gave them a two goal lead. The Seniors managed to regroup and regained the initiative to score two goals, the tying marker coming within the final four minutes of play.

Later, the Old Boys returned to the school for their traditional beer and chips get-together.

OLD BOYS INFORMATION NEEDED -SEND TO: J.E. IVERSEN, Editor S.H.S. Newsletter



ACTION IN THE SLOT DURING OLD BOYS' GAME

Notes about Old Boys

WILLIAM AINLEY ('71) is now attending Cambridge University. This winter, while playing defence for the university hockey team, he scored the winning goal in a match against Oxford University.

HARRY BLOOMFIELD ('59) graduated from Harvard Business School in June, 1971. Upon graduation, he joined J. Henry Schroder & Co. Limited of New York City and is being transferred back to Canada this year for the opening of the Schroder Group's Canadian office.

JEREMY CLARK ('68) graduated from McGill University ('73) in electrical engineering. After working in Zambia for a period of time, he is now with the C.B.C. Transmission System Department.

MAX FERRO ('57) is living in the Boston area where he is a practicing

GEOFFREY HALE ('72) was recently elected president of the Young Republican Club at Princeton University, a signal honour for a Canadian student. He will graduate in '76 from Princeton's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

BILL HAMBLY ('55) has been appointed vicepresident and station manager of CJAD in Montreal.

CECIL HAWKINS ('73), who was given direct entry into 1st year Carleton University last year, has been accepted by Christchurch College, Cambridge University, for a degree Cambridge programme.

RODNEY MOORE ('56) who had previously been Attache and Press Secretary to the Governor General has recently been appointed Assistant Press Secretary to her Majesty the Queen, Buckingham Palace.

MICHAEL WINGHAM ('70) is taking 3rd year honour mathematics at Carleton Michael University. University. Michael completed his 2nd year science by achieving the highest grades given by Carleton over the past 20 years. During his 1st year, he co-authored a scientific paper in chemistry which was published last year by the American Chemical Society. Michael is joining the National Research Council (Atlantic Division) for the summer to do research work.

IN MEMORIAM

BRIAN TAYLOR

The School was deeply saddened recently by the untimely death of Brian Taylor of Grade 6B.

From the time Brian entered Selwyn House in 1968, he was an honours student, an excellent athlete and a boy highly respected and admired by all who knew him. He will be missed by his classmates, teachers and many friends.

In his memory, the Brian Taylor Memorial Fund has been established. Monies collected will be used to purchase books for the School Library and dedicated in Brian's memory. Cheques should be made payable to Selwyn House Association.

DAVID FULLER ('64)

April 20th, 1974 accidently while sky-diving at Gananoque, Ontario.

HAZEN SISE ('19)

February 20th, 1974. Mr. Sise, who has been called a modern Renaissance man of arts and architecture, was a partner in the firm of Affleck, Desbarats, Dimakopoulos, Lebensold and Sise.

Mr. Sise's architectural included study career under Le Corbusier in Paris, work on the design of St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Montreal, Place Marie, the Salle Wilfred Pelletier in Place des Arts, the Vanier Library of Loyola College, Bonaventure and many other prominent buildings and centres. Mr. Sise also served with the National Film Board in Ottawa and as Canadian illm officer attached to the Canadian Embassy of Washington during the Second World War.

SENIOR TEAM WINS CITY TITLE



HEAVY GOING IN THE SCRUM



SNOWED UNDER BY S.H.S. DEFENDERS

Review ...

instruction is offered entirely in French by Francophone Teachers lei On Parle Français forms the basis of course work in Grades 5-9. the deta h of the programme were in the lebruary issue of the "Newsletter" I very boy through at the school received french for a me of 41, hours per

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grades 5-11, is required to participate, offered this year the following: debating, chess, woodwork, Bridge, music appreciation, art, biology, singing, the year book, melodica, "Examiner," student librarians, audiovisual workshop, drama science and the student Project Society As well. The 4th Dimension, the student l terary magazine, presented a collection of prose and poetry representative of the writing of 138 students from grades 1-11 "

The Headmaster then went un to mention many of the me sunding events which the school the year, events wh h "Newsletter" has ur attention and the varied asf at Selwyn House it a final thoughts y ar's graduatn and an auntributed so and he ry success in L-1-15

The spring sports programme includes tennis badminton, golf, track and field, but it is rugby which has attracted the largest group of boys in the middle and senior schools. From these two levels Selwyn House, with the smallest student body in the G.M.I.A.A., has developed three contending teams, bantam, junior and senior, for inter-school games. At the bantam level, our team, despite injuries and inexperience, was always in contention against much bigger squads.

The Juniors, because of insuficient numbers, were unable to compete in the G.M.I.A.A. 15 -a-side league, but in their exhibition series had a record of 4 wins, 2 losses and I tie. In the G.M.I.A.A. 7-a-side Tournament, however, the Bantams advanced into the finals against Lindsay Place. Unfortunately, on the final play of the game involving a hotly disputed call our team lost 8-

Our Senior team playing in the G.M.I.A.A. 15-a-side league finished the season tied for first place. This was the first time any school team had distinguished itself in such a manner. This same team also reached the finals in the 7-a-



M. STARK MAKES LAST MINUTE LATERAL

side Tournament, losing there | manship both on and off the to Lindsay Place.

These teams and their coaches Mr. P. Govan, Mr. G. Chambers and Mr. D. Rothschild deserve a great deal of praise for their hard work and enthusiasm. Selwyn House boys this year have carned a high reputation in this rugged game for skill, determination and sportsfield.

LATE ENTRY: SELWYN HOUSE SENIOR TEAM WON THE G.M.I.A.A. RUGBY CHAMPION-SHIP 8-6 IN OVERTIME AGAINST LINDSAY PLACE. CONGRATULA-TIONS TO ALL TO MEMBERS OF THE TEAM AND TO THEIR COACH, MR. P. GOVAN.

Cardinal...

between North American and Afro-Asian standards of living. Cardinal Leger's desire to help the under-privileged of the world led him to give up his duties in Montreal as Archbishop and to go to Africa to work in various leper colonies whose existence depends in large part on North American charity. While in Africa he founded a centre for crippled children in an area where there had been an abnormally high incidence of polio and no funds for vaccine had existed.

Cardinal Leger concluded his address by calling upon young students for future doctors, nurses and administrators. He asked that they develop a social conscience, one which would not discriminate against creed or colour. He stressed that the heart of man should be full of love for his fellow, not hatred. Once this was done, the problems of the "Third World" and, in fact, all the world could be overcome.



YOUNG SPRINTERS AT JUNIOR MEET

Lacrosse introduced as Team Sport

Recently, the sport of lacrosse has experienced a revival both on a professional and on an amateur level. Selwyn House has taken advantage of this increased interest by introducing lacrosse as a game activity to boys of the senior school. Although lacrosse was legislated as Canada's national game, it was not until very recently that it regained somewhat the popularity it enjoyed in the 1920-1930 era. As a team sport, it is fast and exciting. It is a game which lends itself to speed, agility and stick handling.

The boys of Selwyn House have adapted very readily to lacrosse and a good number have already mastered the game's elementary skills. The G.M.I.A.A. is considering forming an inter-school league for play next year and if this comes to pass Selwyn House could be a strong competitor.



